

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
UNIVERSITY SENATE November 4,
1966

The University Senate met at 2:10 pm, Friday, November 4, 1966, President Elliott presiding.

After amendment to properly assign Professor Prats to the Physical Facilities Committee (rather than the Athletics Committee as previously recorded), the minutes of the previous meeting were approved as distributed.

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE FACULTY ORGANIZATION PLAN TO DEFINE ELIGIBILITY FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE UNIVERSITY SENATE (66/8) (See attached) was presented by Professor Sharpe and seconded.

Professor Lewis, seconded by Professor Wood, moved to amend the Resolution by removing the comma after "assistant deans" in Paragraph 3 of the resolving clause in order to appear to bracket "assistant deans" with "other faculty members".... After general discussion of the amendment, the motion to amend was called by Professor Brewer and was defeated. Professor Lewis, seconded by Professor Sharpe, then proposed a further amendment to the Resolution by inserting the word "and" following the word "deans" and removing the comma after "assistant deans" in the same clause. Professor Stevens proposed an amendment to the Lewis amendment to strike the whole enumeration of positions and permit the sentence to read: "Other faculty members whose duties are primarily administrative in nature, shall be ineligible for election." After general discussion of this proposal, which was not seconded, Professor Brewer suggested the clause be amended to read: "Vice Presidents, assistant vice presidents, deans, vice deans and those other faculty members whose duties are primarily administrative in nature shall be ineligible for elections." Professor Lewis agreed to this restatement and a vote was called on the amendment as stated by Professor Brewer but failed to carry.

The original Resolution #66/8 was then voted as presented and carried.

Dean Eugene Magruder addressed the Senate to inform the Faculty of the plans for the College of General Studies. The Dean prefaced his remarks with a statement that in his view any program in the College of General Studies which does not have the backing of the Faculty puts the College in a questionable position. He feels there should be faculty members on the Planning Committee to guarantee that CGS programs are academically defensible and correct.

The role of the College of General Studies has been changed in many ways. With the degree-granting powers going into the other schools, Dean Magruder looks toward the departments becoming more interested and active in its seminars and other offerings. He feels that the College of General Studies has a definite mandate to bring the needs of the community to the attention of the faculty as such needs are communicated to it by the field representatives of the College, and to permit the faculty to make a decision as to whether or not the program suggested is a good one.

Presently the College has several programs in the survey stage in which off-campus interest has been shown, such as Cartography and Oceanography, Education Requirements for Off-Campus Programs in Teaching, M.S. in Operation-Research (in which the School of Government and Business Administration is interested), and a Center for Educational Technology with audio-visual aids to assist teachers in upgrading their skills and disciplines.

The School is also closely studying the Department of Defense cooperative programs to determine whether their financial lucrativeness justifies their continuance. The Dean feels these programs are always suspect as to their academic excellence and because 33-1/3% of the enrollees do not finish and withdraw from the program after taking a few courses.

The Tidewater operation, which results in an M.S. in Personnel Administration, is being improved and with the establishment of a very good reference library for this degree, and the fact that all faculty members have one or two graduate degrees, it should result in a wholly reputable program for the University.

The Dean mentioned several other matters which need some study such as the scheduling of off-campus courses so that full-time faculty are assigned at the same time as on-campus full-time faculty, and the need for a written policy manual for the College which is presently underway.

The Dean closed by saying that the ambition of the College of General Studies is not to build an empire, but rather to perform a service for the University and the community which will be characterized by high academic standards on a sound financial basis.

General discussion followed of the impact of the Viet Nam situation upon the War Colleges, the appointment of full-time professors in off-campus courses, and whether or not tenure should, or would, be granted to such off-campus personnel, the teaching controls of the School over the methods used in teaching off-campus courses, the advantages which might be gained by placing courses (taught off-campus but presently controlled by a particular department of the University) under CGS sponsorship. Professor Brewer, Chairman of the Educational Policy Committee, then offered the services of his committee in an advisory capacity to the Planning Committee of the College of General Studies and the offer was accepted by the Dean and seconded by President Elliott.

On motion made by Professor Kenny, Chairman, seconded by Professor Lewis, the nominees of the Student Council for student representatives, namely:

Thomas Rogers	-	Government
Paul Johnson	-	Engineering
Richard Moock	-	Education

were elected to membership on the Student Relations Committee of the Senate.

On motion made by Professor Willson and seconded, Professor Fox of the School of Engineering and Applied Science was elected to replace Professor Ojalvo on the Appointments, Salary and Promotions Committee.

Professor Wood announced that the Committee for the Homecoming Ball had invited the full-time faculty to attend the Ball and free tickets would be available at the Student Union Ticket Office.

Professor Wood welcomed Professor Richard Allen to the Senate, replacing Professor Nash, promoted to Associate Dean of the Graduate School of Public Law.

It was the consensus of the Senate that the Coffee Hour which preceded this meeting to which members of the Student Council had been invited was a complete success and should be repeated from time to time with different groups of students invited.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

FREDERICK R. HOUSER
Secretary

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE FACULTY ORGANIZATION PLAN
TO DEFINE ELIGIBILITY FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE
UNIVERSITY SENATE
(66/8)

Whereas (a) the Faculty Organization Plan contains the following statement of eligibility for elective membership in the University Senate (III-2-(4)):

No Dean or any other faculty member who is an officer of administration (as such officers are indicated in the 1959-60 General Catalogue Issue of the University Bulletin) shall be eligible for election;

and

Whereas (b) changes in the administrative structure of the University and in the titles of officers of administration have rendered the quoted statement obsolete in some instances;

and

Whereas (c) the Senate indicated at its meeting October 14 that amendment of the Faculty Organization Plan was the preferred means of defining eligibility for Senate membership,

Therefore,

Be It Resolved by the University Senate of The George Washington University:

1. The University Senate proposes that the University Faculty Assembly adopt the following amendment to the Faculty Organization Plan and forward it to the Board of Trustees for approval.

2. The Faculty Organization Plan, Title III, section 2, paragraph (4), shall be amended by striking out the matter enclosed in brackets and by adding the underlined matter:

3. "All members elected to the Senate shall be members of the University Faculty in full-time service, hold the rank of Associate Professor or above, and have tenure as of the academic year next succeeding the date of their election. / No Dean or any other faculty member who is an officer of administration (as such officers are indicated in the 1959-60 General Catalogue Issue of the University Bulletin) shall be eligible for election. / Vice presidents, assistant vice presidents, deans, vice deans, associate deans, and assistant deans, and other faculty members whose duties are primarily administrative in nature, shall be ineligible for election. / In the event of any additions to the list of officers of administration in subsequent issues of the Bulletin, eligibility for election to the Senate shall be determined by the Senate. / Questions of eligibility for election to the Senate shall be determined by the Senate."

The Executive Committee
November 4, 1966